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RE:

INCORPORATION OF CLASS 1 PERMIT MODIFICATION WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088

Dear Messrs. Knerr and Dunagan:

The New Mexico Environment Department ("NMED") acknowledges receipt of a Class 1 modification, not requiring prior agency approval, to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant ("WIPP") Hazardous Waste Facility Permit ("Permit"). On July 23, 2020, the Department of Energy ("DOE") and Nuclear Waste Partnership ("NWP") (collectively the "Permittees") submitted the modification which contained the following two items:

- Item 1: "Update DOE-CBFO Manager"
- Item 2: "Update Panel Closure Information"

NMED has reviewed the two-item Class 1 modification, and it has been incorporated into the Permit and is effective as requested by the Permittees under the conditions specified in 20.4.1.900 NMAC (incorporating 40 CFR §270.42(a)(1)). The current Permit can be found on the NMED WIPP Information Page at https://www.env.nm.gov/hazardous-waste/wipp/.



Messrs. Knerr and Dunagan

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ricardo Maestas of my staff at (505) 476-6050.

Sincerely,

Kevin

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